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## DISCRETE MATHEMATICS (GATE 2023) - REPORTS

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**Q. 1**
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The number of generators of cyclic group of order 219 is \_\_\_\_\_.

 144

 Your answer is **Correct** 144

**Solution :**

144

The number of generators of a cyclic group of order  $n$  is equal to the number of integers between 1 and  $n$  that are relatively prime to  $n$ . Namely, the number of generators is equal to  $\phi(n)$ , where  $\phi$  is the Euler totient function. We know that  $G$  is a cyclic group of order 219. Hence, the number of generators of  $G$  is  $\Phi(219) = \Phi(3) \Phi(73) = 2 \times 72 = 144$ .

**Q. 2**
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 If  $a$  is an integer lying in  $[-5, 30]$ , find the probability that the graph  $y = x^2 + 2(a+4)x - 5a + 64$  is strictly above  $x$ -axis is  $P$ . Then the value of  $\frac{2}{P}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

 9

Correct Option

**Solution :**

9

$$x^2 + 2(a+4)x - 5a + 64 \geq 0$$

If  $D \leq 0$   
 Then,  $(a+4)^2 = [-5a + 64] < 0$   
 or  $a^2 + 16a - 48 < 0$   
 or  $(a+16)(a-3) < 0$   
 or  $-5 \leq a < 2$

Then favourable cases : 8 and total case : 36.

$$P = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{2}{P} = \frac{2}{2} \times 9 = 9$$

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**Q. 3**
[Have any Doubt?](#)


How many nonnegative integers less than or equal to 300 are coprime with 144?

 A 300

 B 150

 C 100

 Your answer is **Correct**
**Solution :**

(c)

144 has a prime factorization of all 2's and 3's.  
 So, by inclusion-exclusion, the answer is  $300 - (\text{Number divisible by 2}) - (\text{Number divisible by 3}) + (\text{Number divisible by 2 and 3})$ . Of course, the last is the same as the number divisible by 6.

$$\text{Since } 300 \text{ is divisible by 2, 3 and 6, the formula is } 300 - \frac{300}{2} - \frac{300}{3} + \frac{300}{6} = 300 - 150 - 100 + 50 = 100$$

 D 50

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Q. 4

Have any Doubt ?



Which of the following statement(s) is/are correct for a graph  $G$  on a finite set of  $n$  vertices?

A If every vertex of  $G$  has degree 2, then  $G$  contains a cycle.

Your option is Correct

B If  $G$  is disconnected, then its complement is connected

Your option is Correct

C If  $T$  is a non-cyclic tour in  $G$ , and no strictly longer tour in  $G$  contains  $T$ , then both endpoints of  $T$  have odd degree.

Your option is Correct

D If every vertex of  $G$  has degree 2, then  $G$  may not contain a cycle.

YOUR ANSWER - a,b,c

CORRECT ANSWER - a,b,c

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**Solution :**

(a, b, c)

1. **True.** Assume, for contradiction, that  $G$  has no cycle, and consider the longest path  $P$  in  $G$  (one must exist, since the graph is finite). Let  $v$  be the final vertex in  $P$  – since  $v$  has degree 2, it must have two edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  incident on it, of which one, say  $e_1$ , is the last edge of the path  $P$ . Then  $e_2$  cannot be incident on any other vertex of  $P$  since that would create a cycle  $(v, e_2, [section of P ending in  $e_1$ ], v)$ . So  $e_2$  and its other endpoint are not part of  $P$ , and can be appended to  $P$  to give a strictly longer path, which contradicts our choice of  $P$ . Hence  $G$  must contain a cycle.
2. **True.** Let  $G'$  denote the complement of  $G$ . Consider any two vertices  $u, v$  in  $G$ . If  $u$  and  $v$  are in different connected components in  $G$ , then no edge of  $G$  connects them, so there will be an edge  $\{u, v\}$  in  $G'$ . If  $u$  and  $v$  are in the same connected component in  $G$ , then consider any vertex  $w$  in a different connected component (since  $G$  is disconnected, there must be at least one other connected component). By our first argument, the edges  $\{u, w\}$  and  $\{v, w\}$  exist in  $G'$ , so  $u$  and  $v$  are connected by the path  $(u, w, v)$ . Hence any two vertices are connected in  $G'$ , so the whole graph is connected.
3. **True.** At each vertex of the tour  $T$ , label the incident edges as “entering” or “leaving” as in the lecture notes. At each endpoint of the tour, there is one leaving edge for every entering edge, except for exactly one edge (since the tour is non-cyclic) which is either leaving (if the vertex is the first one of the tour) or entering (if the vertex is the last one). This means an odd number of edges of the tour are incident at each endpoint. Assume, for contradiction, that an endpoint has even degree – since the tour contributes an odd number of edges to this count, there must be at least one non-tour edge incident at this vertex. This edge can be added to  $T$  to give a strictly longer tour that contains  $T$ , which is a contradiction. Hence both endpoints of  $T$  have odd degree.

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Q. 5

Have any Doubt ?



A box contains 15 green and 10 yellow balls. If 10 balls are randomly drawn, one-by-one, with replacement, then the variance of the number of green balls drawn is

A 6

B 4

C  $\frac{6}{25}$

D  $\frac{12}{5}$

Your answer is Correct

**Solution :**  
(d)

$$\text{Probability of getting a green ball, } p = \frac{15}{25}.$$

$$\text{Probability of getting a yellow ball, } q = \frac{10}{25}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 10 \\ \text{var}(X) &= n \times p \times q \\ &= 10 \times \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \\ &= 10 \times \left(\frac{6}{25}\right) = \frac{12}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Hence option (d) is the answer.

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Q. 6

[Have any Doubt ?](#)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets containing 4 and 2 elements respectively. Then number of subsets of the set  $A \times B$ , each having atleast 3 element is \_\_\_\_\_.

219

Your answer is Correct

**Solution :**

219

$$\begin{aligned} n(A) &= 4 \text{ and } n(B) = 2 \\ \Rightarrow n(A \times B) &= 8 \\ \text{Thus, } 2^8 - {}^8C_0 - {}^8C_1 - {}^8C_2 &= 219 \end{aligned}$$

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Q. 7

[Have any Doubt ?](#)

A phone number is a 7-digit sequence that does not start with 0. A phone number is very lucky if its digits are strictly increasing, such as with 1235689. How many very lucky phone numbers are there?

 A 45 B 36

Your answer is Correct

**Solution :**

(b)

A very lucky phone number is uniquely defined by the choice of seven distinct digits. We can ignore the digit 0. The number of ways to pick seven distinct non-zero digits is  ${}^9C_7 = 36$ , which is the number of very lucky phone numbers.

 C 49 D 62

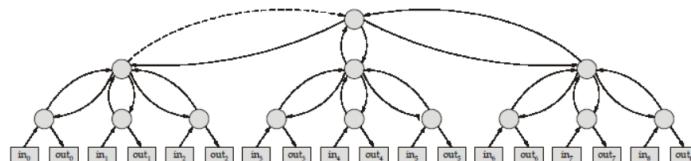
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Q. 8

[Have any Doubt ?](#)

Consider the complete ternary-tree network with 9 inputs and 9 outputs shown below where packets are routed randomly. The route each packet takes is the shortest path between input and output. Let  $I_0$ ,  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  be indicator random variables for the events that a packet originating at  $\text{in}_0$ ,  $\text{in}_1$  and  $\text{in}_2$ , respectively, crosses the dashed edge in the figure. Let  $T = I_0 + I_1 + I_2$  be a random variable for the number of packets passing through the dashed edge.



Now, suppose that each input sends a single packet to an output selected uniformly at random; the packet destinations are mutually independent. (Note that outputs may receive packets from

multiple inputs including their corresponding input.) Then, the value of  $\frac{\text{Expectation}[T]}{\text{Variance}[T]}$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

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Correct Option

**Solution :**

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A packet will pass through the dashed edge if it originates in inputs 0 – 2 and is destined for outputs 3 – 8. For  $j \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ . Let  $I_j$  be an indicator random variable for the event that a packet leaving input  $j$  passes through the dashed edge. The probability of this event is  $\frac{2}{3}$ . It follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} T &= I_0 + I_1 + I_2 \\ \text{Ex}[T] &= \text{Ex}[I_0 + I_1 + I_2] \\ &= \text{Ex}[I_0] + \text{Ex}[I_1] + \text{Ex}[I_2] \\ &= 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, but the linearity of variance for independent variables.

$$\begin{aligned} T &= I_0 + I_1 + I_2 \\ \text{Var}[T] &= \text{Var}[I_0] + \text{Var}[I_1] + \text{Var}[I_2] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3 \cdot \frac{2}{3} \left( 2 - \frac{2}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

Hence,  $\frac{\text{Ex}[T]}{\text{Var}[T]} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}} = 3$

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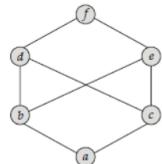
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Q. 9



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The graph given below is an example of



A Non lattice poset

Your answer is Correct

Solution :

(a)  $b$  and  $c$  have common upper bounds but none of these are LUB.

B Semi lattice

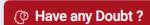
C Partial lattice

D Bounded lattice

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Q. 10



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The function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $f(x) = e^x$ . Then  $f$  is

A One-one and onto

Your answer is Correct

Solution :

(b) Let  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{and } f(x_1) = f(x_2)$$

$$\text{or } e^{x_1} = e^{x_2}$$

$$\text{or } x_1 = x_2$$

Therefore  $f$  is one-one.

$$\text{Let, } f(x) = e^x = y$$

$$x = \log y$$

We know that negative real numbers have no pre-image or the function is not onto and zero is not the image of any real number.

Therefore,  $f$  is not onto.

C Onto but not one-one

D Neither one-one nor onto

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